

LOVE LETTER #1 - May 1, 1972

We hope to get out a "love letter" every other month. If you send me your ad by May 20, I will start as of June 1, 1972.

1. Each paid up member may put a "wanted" ad for one item in each bulletin. Ads must be sent to me no later than the 20th of the month. Interested persons will write you directly. (see sample)

2. Each paid up member may put one personal mail bid item for each bulletin. Bids should be sent directly to the person advertising. Deadline for bids is also the 20th of the month. (see sample)

(SAMPLE)

WANT ADS

WANTED - Barber half love token for my type collection. Describe and price. Write Helen Moore, 11755 - 101st Street North, Largo, Fla. 33540

(SAMPLE)

PERSONAL MAIL BIDS

Silver $\frac{1}{2}$ German Mark Y16 type. Engraved in script "TLS" on reverse. Will sell to highest bidder (minimum \$2.00). Write Helen Moore, 11755 - 101st Street North, Largo, Fla. 33540

LOVE LETTER #2 - JUNE 1, 1972

New members are:

1. Paul F. White
20 Oregon Road
Southboro, Mass. 01772
2. Dr. Warren A. Lapp
731 East 22nd St.
Brooklyn, N.Y. 11210
3. Mrs. Joe Person
6156 8th Ave. N.
St. Petersburg, Fla. 33710 Membership is 37.

Several members are interested in counter-stamped coins, and wondered whether collectors of them could be included in our organization. For the present we will stick strictly to "love tokens" - engraved not stamped, and made for personal reasons, not business. However we will list members who are c/s collectors. They may wish to correspond with each other:

1. Maurice Gould
2. Bob Mitchell

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| not | 3 | Ronald Haines |
| members | (| 190 Mohawk Drive |
| but | (| West Hartford, Conn. 06117 |
| wrote in | } | |
| | 4 | John Morgan |
| | (| 229 Meredith St. |
| | (| Fairmount, W. Va. 26554 |

Here is a change of address:

John Pace
2418 Sussex
Garland, Tex 75041

I wish I could tell you who is the president of the LTS, but the ballots were not conclusive. Fourteen ballots were returned.

For President

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| 3 - Ruth Hammell | 1 - Walter Burke |
| 3 - Bob Mitchell | 1 - Paul Whitnah |
| 2 - Norma Killinger | 1 - Proxy |
| 2 - Maurice Gould | 1 - Edward Valentine |

LOVE LETTER #3

July 1, 1972

I have appointed Ruth Hammell chairman of arrangements at the ANA Convention. She is planning on a "Love Token Society" meeting and program.

I have applied to ANA for Club membership hoping that we will be able to announce our new officers at the Convention.

Ruth tells me if we have an ANA number for our group, there will be no charge for our meeting.

To date there are four people who are willing to run for office. They are listed alphabetically:

Harold Beecher lives in Malvern, Pa. He is currently working on a book about Love Tokens. Since 1952 he has been a collector, is associated with West Chester Coin Club, twice as treasurer. He is an accountant analyst for a chemical company in Downingtown. "I would consider it an honor and a privilege to hold an office and would do my best to promote the Love Token Society and carry out the wishes of the members."

Ruth Hammell and her husband operate "Korner Kynboard Antiques" at Ft. Cumberland Hotel, Cumberland, Md. 21502. Ruth has written various articles on Love Tokens and won numerous awards for her exhibits.

Norma Killinger lives in Livonia, Michigan and is Treasurer of the Livonia Riverside Coin Club and the Michigan Token and Medal Society. She has authored several articles and exhibited her collection at shows. She says she is a "busy gal" but would reluctantly accept an office "for the good of the organization."

Bob Mitchell is the one doing all the Xeroxing. He is employed at Orlando and recently became a father for the second time. Besides all this he is a dedicated collector and was formerly president of the coin club on the base. He is a member of ANA, TAMS, OWTs and TEC.

Will you please write-in one of these names for president and one for vice-president, and return no later than July 20?

If you let me know the results of your "Wanted" and "For Sale" ads, I will put them in the next "Love Letter."

Also enclosed is a form for your next "Wanted Ad" and "For Sale" ad for August. Please keep it to one item. These are all free, but must be sent in no later than July 20.

LOVE LETTER #4

August 1, 1972

First I would like to publicly acknowledge the help of my sister, Mrs. C. F. Greulich. She does all my typing and makes all our stencils. Without her assistance, I could not do this secretarial job.

Next the ballots are in! We had four very good candidates. Your new officers are:

President - Harold S. Beecher, Jr.
J-316 William Henry Apts.
Malvern, Pa. 19355

Vice Pres.- Mrs. Ruth Hammell
Korner Kupboard Antiques
Fort Cumberland Hotel
Cumberland, Maryland 21502

Congratulations! I feel sure the members will give you their support.

Add these names to the list of members:

John Albright
Gables Coin Shop
2347 Ponce DeLeon Blvd.
Coral Gables, Fla. 33134

Thomas F. Arnone
476 Alling Farm Road
Orange, Conn. 06477

Mrs. Charles Finnell (Jane)
716 Ramona Ave.
P.O. Box 60630
Orlando, Fla. 32803

Membership stands at 40!

We had a communications problem with Jane but now she has moved and things have been squared away.

We sent in \$17.00 dues to ANA and have a temporary number until we are voted on next month.

I inquired of the new director Edward Rochette as to whether the ANA had a "Love Token" Collection. He said they had a few pieces. This would make an excellent project for our Society - to assemble a love token collection to donate to the ANA museum. Perhaps the new president will appoint someone to be in charge of assembling it and keeping all of us in touch with what is donated and by whom?

Another project for the club would be to assemble colored slides of jewelry love tokens - enough to make it Part II of the Love Token Slides Series. Those I donated - 76 of them Part I were ones I took with my battery operated time exposure box camera. The slide is

WANTED ADS FOR AUGUST 1972

WANTED: Gold love tokens or engraved coins. Kindly describe & price. Warren Jewelry, Rittman, Ohio 44270.

WANTED: Half Cent Love Token for my type collection, describe and price, will buy or trade. Write Bob Mitchell, 2015 Delaney Ave., Orlando, Fla. 32806.

WANTED: Will buy Love Tokens with Good Luck horse shoes set with stones. Ruth T. Hammell, Korner Kupboard Antiques, Ft. Cumberland Hotel, Cumberland, Md. 21502.

WANTED: Love tokens, will buy dozen at time if priced right. Bill Curran, 149 Highland, New Port Richey, Fla. 33523.

WANTED: Love Token engraved "Ginger" or initials "V.A.J." or "V.J." Betty Wolf, 420 N.E. 7th Ave., Hialeah, Fla. 33010.

WANTED: Silver dollar and twenty cent piece love tokens, - nicely engraved. Joe Lowry, 1832 E. 77th Ave., Elmwood Park, Ill. 60675.

WANTED: Initials "A", "APL", "AK" "PK". Arlene Kaiser, 30 Cherry Street Lordship, Stratford, Conn. 06497.

WANTED: Anything in enameled L.T., prefer U.S. Paul M. Carter, 10 Star Ave., Middleboro, Mass. 02346.

WANTED: \$10 gold love token for my collection. Describe and price. Elmer Pierce, 44 S. Charles St., Ephrata, Pa. 17522.

WANTED: \$20 Gold love token for my collection. Describe and price. Mrs. Elmer Pierce, 44 S. Charles St., Ephrata, Pa. 17522.

WANTED: Canadian tokens "AR", "AU", "CU". Also initials "EB" or "EH" any country, any metal. R. Brill, Corunna, Ont. (On vacation, be back 9-1-72)

FOR SALE ADS - AUGUST 1972
Deadline Aug. 20

FOR SALE: 3/4 silver piece with loop, obverse engraved, "DIT" superimposed. Minimum \$10.00. Best bid by Aug. 20. Satisfaction guaranteed. Helen Moore, 11755 101st St. N., Largo, Fla. 33540

FOR SALE: 1865 Indian Head Cent, engraved in script "JCB" - intricate border. Pin removed from reverse. Minimum bid \$4.00. Satisfaction guaranteed. Betty Wolf, 420 N.E. 7th Ave., Hialeah, Fla. 33010.

FOR SALE: Matched pair gold cuff links. Woven monogram "EMK" with 1/2 dimes, soldered on back, nice solder job, minimum bid \$15.00. Many others, write Paul M. Carter, 10 Star Ave., Middleboro, Mass. 02346.

September 1, 1972

Our new president has a new address:

Mr. Harold Beecher, Jr.
106 S. Valley Road
Paoli, Pa. 19301

He wishes to thank you for your confidence in him and is open to any and all suggestions from members covering the Love Token Society. Perhaps we will hear more from him next month.

In the past month we have gained five new members:

1. Robert J. Ornstein
122 East 42nd Street Suite 3010
New York, N.Y. 10017
2. Ronald Hains
190 Mohawk Drive
West Hartford, Connecticut 06117
3. John R. Comer
504 W. 6th Street
Sterling, Ill. 61081
4. Rolla R. Ross
96 Valley Road Apt. 10
Cos Cob, Conn. 06807
5. Burke L. Slocum Jr.
530 Pierce Ave.
Macon, Ga. 31204

Several of these are members through the efforts of Bob Mitchell. Thanks, Bob!

We now have 45 members!

Here is our financial report:

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| \$83.66 Bank Bal. August 1, 1972 | Expenses | |
| .20 Refund from Bank Check charges | Envelopes | .75 |
| 15.00 Dues | Stencils | 3.00 |
| \$98.86 Total | Stamps | 5.60 |
| 14.31 Expenses | Postage | 4.96 |
| \$84.55 Bal. Sept. 1, 1972 | | \$14.31 |

The 1972 ANA Convention is past history. Our Vice President Ruthie Hammell carried the ball for us. There was listed in the program booklet - a meeting in "Room #2" at 10 a.m. August 17. I think we may have a report from Ruthie later.

Betty Wolf's husband Tom converts old notary seal presses into

ones that make wonderful aluminum copies of coins or tokens. They cost \$10.00 and I love mine. Next month I may send you a sample aluminum foil impression with Love Letter #6.

Enclosed is Kit #3 pp. 27 to 37, containing two articles - one by Paul Carter, another by an Englishman, Rev. R.W.H. Ackworth. Both were written some years ago.

Remember if you have any printed material which we could reproduce, please send it to the Secretary. It will be returned to you.

Ad forms are enclosed. If you have one item you want, or one you wish to sell, fill in the form and return it no later than September 20. These ads are free - one of each if you so desire.

HOW DID YOU HAPPEN TO COLLECT L. T.?

"Some fifteen years or so ago I was quite an active dealer and once in a while I ran across some love tokens and I gave them to my wife as she didn't know too much about coins otherwise. And that's how we started. It is actually her collection and if not that, she certainly was the motive behind it." - Rudy Brill

"My husband worked for Woolworth's when we were living in Miami. In going through a sack of old foreign coins that had been spent in the store, he found two beautiful dimes that had engraving on them and that was my start." - Thelma Carter

"I discovered a dime with an "A" engraved on it in a bunch of mixed coins. This aroused my curiosity as to what it was. From then on I've been collecting Love Tokens." - Mrs. Ray Lindquist

"I kept seeing in junk boxes at the Coin Shows and Coin Club meetings 'Love Tokens', so called. It was quite easy to acquire large amounts of these Love Tokens, as dealers felt they were fooling the public, selling coins with one side gone, holes in them and such." - Geo. E. Wyatt

Sincerely,

Helen Moore

Helen Moore
Secretary-Treasurer

LOVE LETTER #6

October 1, 1972

Dear Member:

Enclosed is a sample pressing which I did with Tom Wolf's converted notary seal. The engraving shows an anchor with "Hizpah" on an 1892 Barber dime.

Also enclosed is a special article for us written by Paul Carter. Thank you, Paul!

I would like to hear from each one of you about two subjects:
(1) how you happened to get started in collecting "love tokens" and
(2) a description of your favorite or unique love token. This material I would like to include in our monthly love letter. Please take time to write!

The president and I have been working on a constitution and by-laws for our group. It is slow going. This will be referred to members as soon as possible.

Here is our financial report:

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| \$84.55 Bal. Sept. 1, 1972 | | <u>Expenses</u> | |
| No income | Service charge | | .10 |
| 84.55 | Postage | | 6.40 |
| 18.78 Expenses | Envelopes | | 3.15 |
| \$65.77 Bal. Oct. 1, 1972 | Mimeo Paper | | 6.25 |
| | Stamps | | 2.88 |
| | | | <u>\$18.78</u> |

I try to differentiate between "postage" as applied to group material I send out in kits and lotters, and daily correspondence which I call "stamps."

My apologies to Jane Finell. She should be listed as:

Jane Finnell (Mrs. G.G. Finnell)
P.O.Box 60630, Orlando, Fla. 32803

Will you look for any clippings you may have on "love Tokens"? We need them for our next kit. Please send me anything you have! It will be returned to you.

Sincerely,

Helen Moore

Helen Moore
Secretary-Treasurer

November 1972

LOVE LETTER #7

Another new member is added to our list. This makes 46.

(Miss) Cyndi Wendt
5935 Lyndale Ave. N.
Minneapolis, Minn. 55430

Financial Report:

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| 65.77 Oct. 1, Bal. | <u>Expenses</u> | |
| 6.00 Dues | Mimeo paper | 3.42 |
| <u>71.77</u> | Postage | 3.60 |
| 12.00 Expenses Check #5 | Xeroxing | 1.75 |
| <u>59.77</u> Nov. Bal. | Stamps | 2.88 |
| Stamps donated by Ruth Hammel .48 | Envelopes | .35 |
| | Total | <u>12.00</u> |

How I Happened To Collect Love Tokens

"My dad is a coin collector and he goes to many shows and I go with him. And at one show they had exhibits of coins and one exhibit was of love tokens. The exhibit was very interesting and I thought that the coins were very pretty and so I started collecting love tokens". - Cyndi Wendt (our youngest member, just 17)

"A friend of my mother's was preparing to enter a Home and was therefor disposing of her possessions. I helped her and she insisted upon giving me something. It was a 1856 gold dollar made into a pin engraved in script 'H.M.'. Her father had it made for her mother. This was the first 'love token' I had ever seen. I had a safety catch put on it and I now wear it to coin shows and when I present my L.T. slide program."

"My mother's friend said she had another engraved coin and if she ever found it, she would give that to me. Three years later she did find it. The second one was a dime also engraved 'HM' in block letters. By this time I was well on my way with a 'type collection'." - Helen Moore

NOTES

Does "anaglyphical" mean anything to you? It didn't to me either until Paul Carter used it to describe a unique gold piece. The one side has a "bee" raised in cameo-effect with several diamond chips in the body. It is on a 1851 2½ gold piece, utterly beautiful! Perhaps we can have Bob Mitchell make Xerox picture of this photo. Bob is on vacation this month.

Ruth Hammel also sent me some photos, one was a print of "engraving tools" - which is certainly a subject related to our collections. Perhaps Bob can also Xerox that.

I do not expect to send out auction ads in the December Love Letter. It is too close to Christmas. I think we can manage it for January. How do you feel about the ads?

Norma Lindquist has sent in a clipping we hope to have Xeroxed for our next kit. Betty Wolf also has one and so do I. Has anyone else any articles or any remarks?

Sincerely,

Helen E. Moore

Helen Moore

LOVE LETTER #8

December 1972

Financial Report:

59.77 Nov. Bal.
3.00 Dues
62.77
4.45 Expenses - Check #6
58.32 Dec. Bal.

| | <u>Expenses</u> |
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| Stamps | 4.00 |
| Envelopes | .45 |
| | <u>4.45</u> |

Stamps from Ruth Hammell \$.54

In connection with your president's letter about getting new members, I am enclosing an application blank so that we can each sign up one member.

Our own dues of \$3.00 are payable Jan. 1, 1973. So far I have already received two renewals.

My apologies for the lateness of this letter. A "bug" of some kind flattened me for a week and I can't seem to get back to normal. I owe other letters, but this takes priority.

Enclosed are want ads for the January Love Letter. Please return by December 20.

How I happened to collect Love Tokens:

"Seven years ago an aunt of my wife's passed away and going thru her effects, we found a Type 1 gold dollar with "Joe" on the reverse. This started the whole thing! We now have hundreds including types or practically every coin with the exception of a twenty cent piece. Also complete bracelets, necklaces, watch fobs, pins, etc., and we enjoy every one of them." - Joe Lowry

Happy Holidays to all!

Helen Moore

